

ANSWERS FILED BY CAPTAIN M'BEE

Another Step Taken in Fight for Possession of "Buck Shoals."

FOUR SUITS ARE PENDING

Baker Edwards and Mrs. Eastman Now at Skyland With Harrison, of Chicago.

(Special to the Times-Dispatch.)
ASHEVILLE, N. C., November 14.—Captain V. E. McBee, the former well-known railway man, has filed answers to the suit of Mrs. Sophia Harrison-Eastman, daughter of ex-Mayor Carter Harrison, of Chicago, in the legal fight for the possession of "Buck Shoals," the former home of the late humorist, "Dill" Nye, which Mrs. Eastman alleges was purchased by her and developed with her money, and in which Captain McBee claims an interest.

There are four suits pending, in one of which Mrs. Eastman asks that a receiver be appointed for "Buck Shoals" Company, another in which she asks that Captain McBee be restrained from disposing of any of the stock of the "Buck Shoals" Company, and still another in which she asks that the criminal proceedings against Captain McBee for disposing of a bond which Mrs. Eastman alleges was her personal property. There is also a suit against Mrs. Eastman charging her with violation of a State law.

Receiver in Possession.
S. G. Bernard, who was appointed receiver for the Buck Shoals Company by Judge Murphy at Newton, is now in possession of the property, and has appointed J. M. Farnes, of Hendersonville, manager of the estate, pending the hearing before Judge Ferguson, at Hendersonville, on Monday next, when it will be decided whether the receivership is to be made permanent.

An interesting feature of the imbroglio between Mrs. Eastman and Captain McBee is the announcement of the marriage, to take place on the 17th of this month, of Mrs. Eastman to Baker E. Edwards, of Norfolk, Va., the man who is said to have supplied the friction between Mrs. Eastman and Captain McBee. The marriage, it is said, will take place at Arden. Edwards and Mrs. Eastman are at present stopping at Skyland, where they were joined yesterday by Carter H. Harrison and William Preston Harrison, of Chicago, brothers of Mrs. Eastman, and Mrs. Owsley, a sister, Captain McBee and his son, Echols McBee, are now living in Asheville.

SUGGESTIONS TO PRISON WORKERS

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venting crime as they do in punishing it, I believe there will be great improvement. I want the association to devote itself to the prevention of crime by making suggestions to State and city governments. There has been an increase in the number of criminals in Virginia, during the last few years, and I think it is for you to make suggestions.

Dr. Henderson introduced.
Dr. Charles H. Henderson was next introduced. He spoke scarcely more than three minutes, and devoted his remarks chiefly to responding to the welcome of those who preceded him. "I thought when I went to Boston that that city was the hub of the universe, but when I came to Richmond, I didn't know what to think."

"We should be proud of the Mother of States, of which Ohio was herself once a part, but the child is herself, once in a while the mother of a President."

Dr. Henderson, in conclusion, referred to the great necessity of carefully training children, asserting that society in regard to the criminal must protect itself. "We have come together to abolish the prison," he remarked, closing his address with an appreciation of the welcome extended to the association.

President Milligan's Address.
President Milligan was introduced as the final speaker. "I have had the Pittsburgh grip," said he, "and would not have come unless this was to have been a meeting of the Prison Association. I love Richmond just as much as I once hated it. I talked against it, I laid lines in camp to show the generals the quickest and easiest way

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BARONS WERE CAPTURED

Facts Brought Out in Hearing of Application for Extradition.

NEW YORK, November 14.—The capture of twenty-five barons in a castle in Russia, which 3,000 peasants took by assault, was described to-day by Ed-

ward Sermons, of Chelsea, Mass., a fugitive from Russia, in his testimony at the hearing of the charges against Jan J. Pouch, the refugee, whom the Russian government is trying to extradite.

The barons were kept prisoners, the witness said, until they promised to accede to all the demands of the peasants. In telling of another conflict between the militia and the peasants, Sermons related the capture of two barons, one of whom was afterward shot for treason.

At the time of the capture, the witness said, the peasants attempted to rob the barons, but were beaten off by the militia from the Russian soldiers.

Severe skirmishes occurred at two other times, according to Sermons, in which numbers were killed and wounded on both sides. An adjournment was taken until next Wednesday afternoon.

MASTER'S REPORT

Figures Given on Tangled Affairs of Public Service Corporation.

NORFOLK, Va., November 14.—The report of Special Agent in Charge C. L. Tallaferris in the Federal court receiver's office of the public service corporation of Virginia, lighting plant and properties at Hampton and Phoebus, Va., filed here to-day, shows a total indebtedness by the corporation of \$175,511.75 outside of \$200,000 in stock and a \$125,000 conditional guarantee on the bonds of the Suffolk Gas Company.

The assets of the corporation are placed at \$112,112.81, plus \$15,927.43, held to be due by J. A. Barham and Walter Whetstone on alleged broken partnership construction contract. The master reports that the corporation has valuable lighting contracts in Hampton and Phoebus, with 150 consumers and a monthly revenue of \$2,000. Its business is increasing, the master says, at the Hampton Normal School. This was a Philadelphia-financed concern.

PRESIDENT OF CONGRESS

REV. J. L. MILLIGAN, LL. D.

to get into the city. I know now how to get in on a railroad ticket."

The President's Address.
In his address, President Milligan pointed out the causes which led to the organization of the congress, emphasizing the great need for more humane treatment of prisoners, and showing that the primary object was the awakening of public interest in the arrest of criminals and the punishment of crime. While admitting, however, that the workers had greatly curbed the influence of party politics in penal institutions, they were apparently unable to agree on a uniform criminal code. He discussed the convict labor system, with special attention to recent events in Georgia.

"There has been a marked change in the public conscience in the past few years," said President Milligan. "There is a growing sense of the public responsibility for the existence of the criminal in their midst. Society is beginning to realize a special relation in his being what he is and for his doing what he does. Am I in any sense your brother's keeper? It is becoming a more personal question, bearing with a direct pressure upon every intelligent man's daily life. An increased interest in prisoners has been awakened because prisoners are human beings with souls salvageable by Christ's love. This impression received, realized and entertained, has had a reflex beneficial influence on official prison life and the management of prisoners. The prisoner is no longer a body and soul for this uplift in society's impression. Cruel and brutal treatment of prisoners will no longer be tolerated by the intelligent public. The vilest man has his God-given rights, which dare not be crushed out by an ignorant and vindictive prison official."

Change of Sentiment.
"The last twenty-five years has witnessed a very great improvement in the intelligence and the moral earnestness of the men who are placed in authority in the inside of our prisons. They are the molders of the character of the prison for the time being, and the officers from the highest to the lowest should be of a high character. Then let civil service be the rule."

"It is no longer ago that we adopted the 'indeterminate sentence' and it has been so slow in taking a prominent place in all the States of the Union. Mr. Z. R. Brockway proposed the measure at the Cincinnati Congress in 1870, and soon after the New York Legislature framed the provisions into a statute, which has had fame in the civilized world."

Major R. W. McCloy, of Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and Captain Joseph Nicholson, of Detroit, Mich., were the heroes in securing the adoption and recommendation of The Bertillon System of Measurement and Identification of Prisoners, which holds a place now in all of our prisons and city central police stations. "It is almost a perfect plan in the discovery of the recidivist."

County Jail System.
"The county jail system—do you smile? So do I. We have been pointing at this venerable inheritance from England. As young and old we have read and have always been charmed with John Bunyan's 'Pilgrim's Progress.' For well over a century he was a prisoner in that primitive jail in the old town of Reading for preaching the gospel. Since those cruel, dark days many years have passed, but amid all the floods of intelligence that have arisen and swept the world, the jail of a free gospel, the old Reading Gaol still holds its place in our country jail."

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